

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – JUNE 17, 2014**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. as was duly advertised. Commissioners in attendance were President Thomas Hauser, Bill Amos and Randy Kleaving. A representative of the *Perry County News* was also present. Also present was County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg.

The meeting opened with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

PAYROLL

Bill made a motion to approve the payroll docket in the amount of \$120,854.31 for payroll distributed on June 16, 2014. Randy seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meetings of May 5th, and May 20th, 2014 had been mailed to the commissioners for their review. Randy made the motion to approve the minutes as written, and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with a Resolution to establish a County Elected Officials Training Fund. She explained that the funds are collected in the Records office on certain documents that are recorded. The funds within the County Elected Officials Training fund will be used to provide required training for certain county elected officials. Bill made the motion to approve the resolution and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See Attachment "A" Resolution R-C-14-4)

HONOR REWARDS PROGRAM

Perry County Recorder Mary Lee Smith attended the meeting and explained that the computer company they use is offering a free program for veterans in the county. The program is a discount card that will give veterans discounts at various businesses in Perry County. She stated that she will be contacting the local businesses to see if they will offer discounts to the veterans of Perry County. The computer company will do all the printing of the discount cards along with fliers. In order for a veteran to qualify for the discount card they will have to have a DD214 recorded in the recorder's office and a form will have to be filled out by the veteran. The commissioners all agreed that this would be a good program for the veterans of Perry County.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

Commissioners President, Tom Hauser, announced that part time superintendent Ed Feix had resigned on May 28, 2014 due to health reasons. Operations Manager, Steve Howell had assumed most of the superintendent duties last year when Ed Feix requested the part time status. Bill made a motion to appoint Steve Howell Perry County Highway Superintendent effective June 16, 2014. Randy seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The commissioners thanked Ed for 28 years of service to the Perry County Highway Department.

TRANSFER

County Auditor, Connie Berger, presented the commissioners with a transfer request within the Highway Fund for the position of Highway Superintendent. The request was for \$22,827.35 from Operations Manager to Superintendent. Tom stated that at this time they will not be filling the position of Operations Manager. Randy made the motion for the transfer request and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell presented the commissioners with two applications to cut and occupy Perry County Highway Right of Way. The first application was from PSC to install 82.3 miles of fiber optic cable and 44.38 miles of drop cable in Perry and Spencer counties with approximately over 1/3 of the construction to be in Perry County. Randy made the motion to approve the request, and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The next application was from Rural Land, Inc to trench a 4" water line along Boyd Road from the existing AndTro lines to real estate owned by Rural Land, Inc. After the line is installed AndTro will take ownership of the line. Bill made the motion to approve the request and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

FORMER NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY

Commissioner President, Tom Hauser, announced that the commissioners had received a letter from Barbara Ewing, Mayor of the City of Tell City. The letter stated that in 2011 the State of Indiana transferred ownership of the former National Guard Armory to the City of Tell City. Since that time, the city has made the building available to the Perry County Emergency Management Agency for equipment storage. Also, stored in the building is District 10 equipment which has to be stored in a building. It has been researched that in order to qualify for any grant funding to make any improvements to the building, the building has to be owned by the county. Therefore the City of Tell City through the Board of Public Works and Safety is offering to transfer the ownership of the former armory to Perry County. The City of Tell City would like to have the option to use part of the building for the Tell City Fire Department and would be willing to pay a percentage of the utilities on the building. EMA Director, Steve Hauser stated that owning the building would be a benefit to the county. At this time the building is being used for training by EMA, local law enforcements agencies and local fire departments along with storing equipment. Tom stated that the building has been inspected and it is in good shape and the roof and windows have been repaired. The transfer would consist of the building and 5 acres. All the commissioners agreed that the building would be a big benefit for the county. Bill made the motion to accept the offer from the City of Tell City on the former National Guard Armory building and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

It was announced that the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Monday, July 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 8:25 a.m.

Minutes approved this 7th day of July, 2014.

Thomas J. Hauser
President

Bill Amos

Randy Kleaving

*Minutes prepared by:
Connie A. Berge, Perry County Auditor*